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MISSOULA--The meteoric rise of center Dave Shelby on the Montana basketball squad is reflected in scoring statistics compiled after the Grizzlies completed their 10 pre-conference games.

Shelby has raised his scoring average to 11.4 points per game, good for second place on the Grizzly squad behind Dan Balko's 14.3 mark.

Shelby tallied 81 points in his last four games, boosting his average from a mere four points in mid-December. The 6-8 senior also has the best shooting percentage on the squad, with 36 buckets in 67 attempts.

Following these two are guard Vince Ignatowicz with a 9.1 average, Terry Screnar with 7.7, Darrol Dunham with 6.1, Marv Suttles with 5.2, Kay Roberts with 3.0, Duane Ruegsegger with 2.9, and Paul Miller and Mike Allen, 1.3.

Dunham is the best rebounder. He's pulled 111 balls off the boards for an 11.1 game average. Next best is Shelby's 83 rebounds.

Screnar is the best free throw artist, hitting 23 of 29. Balko has 39 of 50.

Collectively the Grizzlies have hit 214 of 643 shots for a 33.2 average. The opponents have scored 227 of 663 for 34.3. Montana has a 534-510 rebound edge over the opposition, but has been charged with 208 fouls, compared to 172 by opponents.

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